

CIMARRON LUMBER COMPANY'S BIG NEW PLANING MILL

Short Sketch of One of Cimarron's Institutions
Which is Adding Much to the Prosperity of the Town.

Probably few of our people realize the magnitude of the Cimarron Lumber company's industry in Cimarron. The concern is so well managed and the volume of business transacted so smoothly that unless you were on "the inside," you would not imagine that a large number of men daily are employed in the industry, that many teams are required to handle the various products, and that immense contracts are being filled daily from the yards which appear almost empty all the time because the demand is ever increasing, and always just a little ahead of the supply, no matter how much the latter is increased. Recent additional contracts for a large amount of lumber from mills in this section were expected to allow the yardmen to accumulate a surplus, but heavy contracts are coming in which take the output of these new mills now, and the lumber business is an everlasting struggle to keep up with orders. The large mill is being run to full capacity, and there is little complaint, no matter how great the demand.

The planing mill proper is 50 feet by 140, feet with additional power house and storage houses. The power is furnished by large boilers and engines of sufficient capacity to handle the big machines.

The large mill is well filled with machinery necessary for the handling of lumber of all kinds and grades,

and the manufacturing of the various products.

The newspaper man isn't very familiar with any other kind of machinery except printing machinery, and he was a little at sea when he made the place a visit recently, as to the names of the numerous big machines in the mill, but one has only to see the work each separate machine is doing to appreciate the marvels of their construction. Work, which would be impossible by hand, is neatly turned out by these machines, which do almost everything but talk. In plain work, the labor of a day by hand, is done in a few minutes, and one sees readily why finished material today is really so cheap, as compared with the differences in unfinished and finished materials of years ago. The mill contains rip saws, cut-off saws, planer, stichers, joiner, sash and door teneer, hollow chisel mortiser, band scroll saws for finishing casings and ornamental work, lathes, saws of various kinds, flooring machines, automatic saw filer for sharpening tools, and innumerable machinery conveniences, which interest the spectator.

The products of the mill include sash and doors, ornamental screen doors, finished lumber of all kinds and for all purposes. Some handsome cabinet work was seen about the mill in various stages of completion, and the visit to the busy place was very interesting.

GOOD RESULTS FROM COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' ROAD PLANS

The plan for the handling of the county roads, suggested by a Cimarron man and adopted by the county commissioners last winter, is working out well wherever it has been tried. One man in each district is appointed as a volunteer road overseer, and given power to keep the roads in his district in repair. These men act under the supervision of the county commissioners, one of whom makes regular trips of inspection over the county roads.

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The road from Cimarron to Uracca, and south toward Springer for some distance, has been in the hands of Geo. H. Webster for some time, and is in excellent condition, and the expenditure has been very slight for this road.

Another good road is that under the supervision of Frederic Whitney, and is one of heavy travel, north of Dawson. N. M. Salazar has charge of the roads in precinct 12, which are

well kept. H. C. Abbott has the roads of precinct 17 under his care. In precinct 8, James Smyth is looking after the roads. Norman Bartlett in precinct, and William Butler in the vicinity of Catskill have done good work. County Commissioner E. N. Burch, who is sometimes called the father of good roads in Colfax county, has given himself a pretty good sized contract to fill, but he is working energetically and intelligently toward the accomplishment of good thoroughfares in his districts. He has assumed responsibility for precincts 20, 21, 25, 24, 7, 16, and a part of 13. Mr. Burch is devoting the major portion of his time to the work of giving the county better roads.

There are some roads around Cimarron which need attention, and it is hoped some good man will volunteer to look after them in the near future. This man should be a man of practical experience and capability, and willing to devote some of his time to the good of the community.

CHANGE IN SAW MILL FIRM AND MANAGEMENT

The firm of Kastervan & Kapp, who have been running the sawmill near Black Lakes for some time, has been dissolved. Mr. Kapp retiring from the concern. Mr. Kastervan will assume the entire business, and has a very satisfactory contract with the Cimarron Lumber company who will take the entire output of the mill. The lumber will be hauled from the mill to the Rocky Mountain Railroad at the Park, and will be shipped to Cimarron. There is an excellent quality of timber in the vicinity of the mill, and the mill will be run to its full capacity to help supply the big demand for lumber for Cimarron.

TELEPHONE LINE TO TAOS ABOUT BUILT

The telephone line which is to connect with the Taos line is about completed, and will be in use in a short time. Poles have been set to the top of Taos hill from this side, and the line has been completed from Taos, on the other side, to within a mile or so of the hill, and is now in use. The completion of the line will be a great convenience to business people of the two communities, who are each month becoming more closely affiliated.

GOOD STRIKE REPORTED ON AZTEC RESERVATION

Miners working on the Aztec Reservation report a big find on the south line last week. A new vein has been opened up, and careful samples for some distance show assays of \$30 to \$180 in gold, lead and silver. Considerable development work is being done along this portion of the property, and the mining public is elated over the find.

NEW DRUG STORE ABOUT COMPLETED

The new drug store being established by Messrs. Walker & Officer on the north side is about ready for customers. Handsome new fixtures have been installed, the drug and stationery stock is being placed in readiness, and the new firm are busily engaged in putting on the finishing touches to the stock of goods. Everything is new and attractive, and the store presents a cosy appearance. A line of druggists' sundries, notions, stationery and cigars and a well-conducted news-stand will be found at the new establishment. Dr. Walker will maintain his office at the new store for the present, and will serve as pharmacist. Mr. Officer is quite well known in this section of the county, having been connected with the Rocky Mountain Route for some time. He is a son of H. A. Officer, auditor of the Rocky Mountain companies, and is a popular young man of sterling character.

BUILDING EXTENSIVE RAILROAD SIDINGS

The Rocky Mountain Route is beginning to build extensive sidings in the Cimarron yards now, the first of which were completed last week, about 1,500 feet of sidings were laid for the convenience of the Cimarron Lumber company, extending from a point just west of the freight depot, around the lumber company's yards. A house track has also been built, which is a great convenience in handling the large amount of freight which is already coming in. Grade is now being prepared for an extensive ware house track along the north side of the main line, which will accommodate the numerous projected ware houses along the tracks.

Importance of the Child.
Prof. Felix Adler, in his address before the National Child Labor Convention at Cincinnati on "The Attitude of Society Towards the Child as an Index of Civilization," pointed out that, historically, there have been three views of the child in society. There is the primitive view which regarded the child as the essential factor in the system of ancestor worship; the later view, which made him the inheritor and continuator of the family honors and prerogatives; and the modern view, which looks upon the child as so much living material for the society of the future. The classification serves as a basis for the protest against the wastage of child life under the present system of production. Essentially, however, the three historical views are identical, in that they agree in looking upon the child as bearing within himself the seed of the ideal future, whether that ideal be to live in extra-terrestrial bliss and in the memory of man, or the feudal ideal of family, or the contemporary altruistic ideal of the perfect state. And it is by no means certain that the last ideal is not the hardest on the child. It is not only that some of us, in the name of progress, are content to send the child into that industrial slavery against which Prof. Adler pleads his case, says the New York Post; but that most of us, in recognizing the high mission of the young, persist in placing on their tender shoulders a heavy burden of responsibility. If we were ancestor-worshippers or mediaeval barons, we should be quite content to leave our children in undisturbed enjoyment of their right to liberty and the pursuit of happiness; since in merely being they would fulfill their purpose. But the modern child must not be left alone, because there is no such thing as a child in the same sense that there is a cat or a pony or a picture-book. He is a "potentiality," and there are pedagogical principles.

Hereditary Divorce.
As a matter of fact, divorces run in families. The children of a divorced mother are the likeliest themselves to contract alliances which the law will have to sever. There have been numerous instances of families of sisters or brothers who have gone through the divorce courts in almost unbroken succession. This phenomenon sheds some light on the true causes of divorce and suggests that a very large proportion of the separations which the law countenances are due not to an initial "fatal mistake" nor to complete "incompatibility," nor even to the actual misdeeds of either party, but to mental and temperamental peculiarities. Not the institution of marriage is at fault, says Chicago Sun, not the mistaken union of antipathetic personalities, but the human nature of one party or the other to the compact. Divorces are prevalent in certain families. So are incorrigible levity, disagreeable dispositions, unwillingness to abide the consequences of a deliberate act, a deficient philosophy.

A great popular demonstration took place recently in Belgium. Over 60,000 persons marched through the streets of Brussels to the city hall to ask for obligatory education. The petition presented to the mayor was signed by 200,000 names. Nearly one-fourth of the population of Belgium is illiterate, although the law offers free education to those who cannot pay for it. There is supposed to be a primary school for every commune over 6,500, but only a meager grant is allowed, and the teaching is often of the poorest. The schools are managed by the commune and not by the government, and any private place of instruction may be selected as the communal school. Education practically ceases at the age of 12; what was learned is soon forgotten, and the relapse into indifference and ignorance is inevitable. The schools are inspected once a year. Although the technical schools of Belgium are fine, the primary system of this most crowded country in Europe is wholly bad.

The dean of Canterbury relates this anecdote of his own school days: In the schoolhouse at Rugby, when he was there, new boys in the first winter term had to stand on a table and sing the "Brave Old Oak" before all the boys of the house. If they sang to the satisfaction of the house they were taken into its good-fellowship. Otherwise they had to drink half a glass of salt and water, made so thick that they could stand a ruler up in it. He was very sorry to make the confession that he had to drink the salt and water.

A New York doctor cured a case of lockjaw by bleeding the patient. The case, says the Washington Star, has attracted widespread attention, because nowadays the doctors are not supposed to bleed a patient until after he is cured.

"Let us perish sword in hand," sings Alfred Austin, in his latest poem. So, exclaims the Boston Herald, they really are at last getting after him with deadly weapons.

How to Save Money.

"There was never a man born, who, if he lived the life he should live, could not lay aside something from the fruits of each day's labors."

This is the declaration made recently by a great New York financier, in explaining the secrets of his success. The foundation of all that finally made him a millionaire and a power in the financial world, was, according to his own words, an unalterable determination to save something. He started to live as apprentice to a shoemaker in his home town. He saved money to go to the city. That was the beginning of his fortune. He secured work and went on saving, bit by bit, until he was ready to launch out for himself.

"The trouble with too many of us is that we consent to live 'from hand to mouth.' We complain that we are forced to, when in reality we are too weak to forego some pleasure or habit that we may lay a small portion of our earnings aside.

"Those of us who grind our ways from one week's end to the other, always waiting for 'luck to change' and never forcing another turn of the wheel, are slaves just as truly and just as surely as though an iron ball were chained to our ankles and the knout were wielded over our backs.

"The masters of slaves appear in many forms; the weights that prevent escape from slavery are cast from diverse materials. Expensive habits, false pride, foolish luxury, lack of initiative, want of ambition, laziness of mind and body and a hundred and one other qualities or absence of qualities which we see in others every day of our lives—all are potent in keeping in bondage men who have the brains and ability to be free and powerful.

Are you one of these slaves? Are you one of those who is waiting sullenly for some one to set you free from the irksome grind of your work? If you are, don't wait for emancipation. Free yourself. Do away with the good clothes, give up the whiskey, the card-playing and smoking if necessary. Throw a little more energy into your work. Earn a little more and spend a little less."

The great financier's statement sounds reasonable. It may bring you the change of luck that you have been waiting for—Albuquerque Evening Citizen.

LOOKIN AFTER COUNTY ROADS

E. N. Burch, County Commissioner, was in the hill country last week, looking after the condition of the roads. He visited Ute Park, Elizabethtown and Red River, and traveled over a large section of county looking after the highways. He reports the road from Ute Park to Elizabethtown in fair condition, but has recommended considerable work on the road up Cimarron Canon from Cimarron to Ute Park.

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7:00 am	4:00 pm	Leaves RATON Arrives	12:15 pm
7:25 am	4:25 pm	LV. CLIFTON HOUSE JCT. LV	11:57 am
7:50 am	4:45 pm	Leaves PRESTON Arrives	11:40 am
8:20 am	5:00 pm	Arr. KOEHLER JCT. Arr	11:00 am
	5:10 pm	Arr. KOEHLER Arr	11:30 am
9:10 am	5:50 pm	Arr. VERMILION Arr	10:15 am
9:35 am	6:15 pm	Arr. CERRITOSO LV	9:55 am
10:20 am	6:30 pm	Arr. CIMARRON LV	9:35 am
11:30 am		Arr. VIGIL Arr	2:40 pm
12:20 pm		Arr. UTE PARK LV	1:40 pm
Train No. 17 and 20 Tues., Thurs., Saturday	Distance from Des Moines	STATIONS.	Train No. 18 and 21 Tues., Thurs., Saturday
7:00 am	40	Leaves RATON Arrives	2:20 pm
7:30 am	42	Leaves CLIFTON HOUSE JUNCTION Leave	2:00 pm
8:05 am	31	Leaves CUNNINGHAM Leave	1:15 pm
8:30 am	25	Leaves THOMPSON Leave	12:40 pm
8:45 am	22	Leaves VIGIL Leave	12:25 pm
9:25 am	11	Leaves CAPELIN VERGAS Leave	11:40 am
10:00 am		Arrives DES MOINES Leave	11:00 am

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